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PATENT APPLICATION
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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-13. (Cancelled)

14. **(Currently Amended)** A method for transmitting user data messages from a network element of a radio communication system over at least one transmission channel to at least one subscriber device of the radio communication system, the method comprising:

transmitting at least one planning message to the at least one subscriber device to announce the form of the user data messages to be transmitted subsequently to and separately from the at least one planning message, such that transmission of the at least one planning message is completed before beginning the transmission of the user data messages; and

wherein the form of the user data messages announced by the at least one planning message includes at least one of a type of content of the user data messages and a coding of the user data messages, the form of the user data messages announced by the at least one planning message being used by each subscriber device to determine whether or not that subscriber device is technically capable of processing the user data messages, and to select whether or not to receive the user data messages based on such determination.

15. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting a user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the at least one planning message includes a first planning message by which the transmission of the user data messages is announced via a first separate transmission channel, and a second planning message by which description information specifying the form of the user data messages to be transmitted is transmitted via at least one second separate transmission channel.

16. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the type of content of the user data messages includes one of a text format, an image format, an audio format and a video format.

17. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the coding includes one of an MP3 format, an AMR format, a WAV format, a JPEG format and an MPEG 4 format.

18. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the description information further includes parameters referring to one of data volume, image dimensions for at least one of image data and video data, and a playback duration for at least one of audio data and video data.

19. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the method is carried out in a framework of a broadcast service.

20. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the broadcast service is an extension of a Cell Broadcast Service.

21. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 19, wherein the broadcast service is a multicast service.

22. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the radio communication system is operated in accordance with a UMTS standard.

23. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the first planning message contains information about when and on which second separate transmission channel, of which there is at least one, at least one of second planning messages and user data messages are transmitted.

24. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the at least one subscriber device receives only the user data messages which the at least one subscriber device is designed to process.

25. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 14, wherein the subscriber device is a mobile radio device.

26. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 25, wherein the mobile radio device is a mobile phone.

27. (Previously Presented) A method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in Claim 24, wherein the at least one subscriber device receives only the user data messages which, with regard to the announced form, it is able to process.

28. **(Currently Amended)** A subscriber device of a radio communication system, in which user data messages are transmitted over at least one transmission channel to the subscriber device, comprising parts for receiving only the user data messages which, with regard to an announced form, it is able to process, wherein the form of the user data messages is announced by transmission of at least one planning message to announce the form of the user data messages to be transmitted to the subscriber device subsequently to and separately from the at least one planning message, such that transmission of the at least one planning message is completed before beginning the transmission of the user data messages, wherein the form of the user data messages announced by the at least one planning message includes at least one of a type of content of the user data messages and a coding of the user data messages, and wherein the subscriber device uses the form of the user data messages announced by the at least one planning message to determine whether or not the subscriber device is technically capable of processing the user data messages, and selects whether or not to receive the user data messages based on such determination.

29. **(Currently Amended)** A radio communication system, comprising: at least one subscriber device; and

a network element for transmitting user data messages over at least one transmission channel to the at least one subscriber device, wherein a form of the user data messages is announced by transmission of at least one planning message to announce the form of the user data messages to be transmitted to the at least one subscriber device subsequently to and separately from the at least one planning message, such that transmission of the at least one planning message is completed before beginning the transmission of the user data messages, wherein the form of the user data messages announced by the at least one planning message includes at least one of a type of content of the user data messages and a coding of the user data messages, the form of the user data messages announced by the at least one planning message being used by each subscriber device to determine whether or not that subscriber device is technically capable of processing the user data messages, and to select whether or not to receive the user data messages based on such determination.

30. Cancelled

31. **(Previously Presented)** The method for transmitting user data messages as claimed in claim 14, allowing at least one subscriber device to save at least one of its resources and energy by deciding, on basis of the at least one planning message, to receive only those user data messages it is capable of processing.